assistance; to put on pressure on States that do; to act together to step up extradition and prosecution'.

(b) The issue of Pakistan sponsored terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir has been discussed with the US authorities on a number of occasions. The US side has conveyed that they understand India's concerns and that the US takes a serious view of such terrorist activities. US has also designated the Pakistan based Harkat-Ul-Ansar as a terrorist organisation under the US laws.

(c) Government have consistently drawn the attention of the international community in bilateral interactions and in multilateral forums, to Pakistan's continuing and unabated sponsorship of terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of India. Government will continue this policy. Government will also continue to take all steps to combat this menace and ensure India's security.

Resolution of imposition of sanctions at UN General Assembly

1313. SHRI RAGHAVJI:
PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that US has been isolated on the issue of imposing sanctions against sovereign States when India backed Libyan resolution was carried over by UN General Assembly, recently;

(b) whether it is also a fact that sharp split in the Western block was indicated at the voting pattern; and

(c) what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) There was no resolution on Libya in the current UN General Assembly.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Secretary level talks with Pakistan

1314. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA:
SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the areas covered during the Secretary level talks held recently between India and Pakistan;

(b) the areas of agreements and disagreements;

(c) Government's position on disagreements; and

(d) to what extent the relations, with Pakistan on border issue have been sorted out?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (d) As part of the agreed composite dialogue, the Foreign Secretaries of India and Pakistan met in Islamabad on 15—18 October, 1998 for discussions on the subjects of Peace and Security, including Confidence Building Measures, and Jammu & Kashmir. The discussions on Peace Security and CBMs indicated that there was a convergence of views on the need for exchanging ideas on security concepts and nuclear doctrines, developing nuclear and conventional CBMs, putting in place communication links that are dedicated, secure and failsafe, increased information flow for a greater transparency and predictability, as well as for setting up of a consultative mechanism for periodic review and improved implementation of existing CBMs. There was agreement in principle that experts on the two sides could meet for further discussions on these matters. In the discussion on Jammu & Kashmir, our side drew attention to the fact that the entire state of Jammu & Kashmir is an integral part of India and that this legal status does not admit of any change. We also reiterated the demand that Pakistan should forthwith cease its futile sponsorship of